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REMARKS

Claims 37-46 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-38 of U.S. Patent No. 6,166,106. The Examiner alleges that the claims are not patentably distinct.

The Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention that although the claims of the present application recite the same general features as U.S. Patent No. 6,166,106, the features, particularly the physical properties of the pavement marking composition, are claimed in a different manner.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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